



FIRST THINGS FIRST

The right system for bright futures

White Mountain Apache Tribe Regional Partnership Council Strategic Plan Priorities

The White Mountain Apache Tribe Regional Partnership Council has chosen to focus on four areas of development for Fiscal Year 2010 with the potential for these priorities to be granted funding in subsequent years.

Priority 1

Description: FTF will increase parent/provider, hands-on trainings and availability of resources for teen parents, first-time parents and family and friends caring for children during the day.

Justification: 25% of children are born to a mother age 19 or younger; only 35% of students graduate high school; only 32% of children receive child care in a regulated center or home.

Priority 2

Description: FTF will decrease dental disease among children 6 mos. through 5 yrs by implementing oral health screenings; providing dental varnish; and providing parent/provider education regarding oral health and nutrition.

Justification: 72% of children 3-4 years old have active dental disease; only 84% of children with active dental disease receive treatment.

Priority 3

Description: FTF will increase language & literacy development among children by assisting in the development of literacy-rich environments while also providing parents/providers opportunities to engage their children in... language development activities.

Justification: On average, children are approx. 2 years behind by the time they enter kindergarten.

Priority 4

Description: FTF will increase awareness about the importance of early childhood development & health by hosting an Annual Early Childhood Conference. FTF will also work to increase U.S. Census participation among the Region's adult population.

Justification: Native Americans are historically under-represented in the U.S. Census, which can impact funding for Tribal areas.

Funding Plan Summary Fiscal Year 2010- AMENDED

Regional Allocation: \$508,032

Prioritized Need	Proposed Strategies	Portion of Allocation	Action Taken by the Board
Increased access to parent/provider training or education	Strategy 1: Family Support	\$159,000	APPROVED
Children zero to age five have high rates of dental disease; therefore, the need is to reduce the incidence of dental disease among children zero to five years old	Strategy 2: Dental Disease Prevention	\$75,000	APPROVED
Lack of language and literacy rich environments for children zero to age five to grow and develop Lack of adequate training and opportunities for parents to engage their children in language and literacy development	Strategy 3: Language and Literacy Development	\$100,000	APPROVED
Increased awareness about FTF and early childhood development in the region Increased participation in the U.S. Census for future funding opportunities	Strategy 4: Community Awareness and Increased Census Participation	\$18,500	APPROVED
Economic Emergency Relief for children ages birth through five and their families	Strategy 5: Provide short-term assistance for those families not eligible to receive DES subsidies, food stamps or other supports	\$155,532	APPROVED
	GRANT TOTAL	\$508,032	